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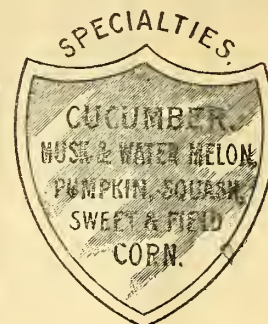
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**SEED GROWERS AND DEALERS.**



REGISTERED CABLE ADDRESS  
"WESTSEED"

Fremont, Nebr., May 4, 1917

**NOTICE**—All quotations are made for immediate acceptance, subject to stocks remaining unsold and confirmation of orders, also stenographic errors and omissions, delays and contingencies beyond our control.  
**ALSO NON-WARRANTEE AS NOTED ABOVE.**

#### TO THE WHOLESALE TRADE:

All of the Nebraska and Western growers have just received yesterday and today notice, also telegram as per enclosed copies from the different Grange Associations at Rocky Ford and vicinity referring to contract prices for Cucumber, Cantaloupe and Musk Melon seeds and all contracts that were booked previous to the advance will have to be advanced 3c per lb. or the growers will refuse to plant same.

Mr. J. C. Robinson is going to Rocky Ford tonight and wired all of his customers last night explaining the situation and asking them if they would stand the advance. The most of them have replied that they would do so. The C. Herbert Coy Seed Co. at Valley, Nebr. are writing all their customers asking them if they will stand the advance and we are doing the same.

We are doing the best we can to cover our requirements for vine seeds, also Sweet and Field Corn, but the conditions are abnormal and the farmers are getting such high prices for all farm products without any extra risks involved as to quality and germinating vitality, they turn away when approached about contracting in most cases, and will only listen when we offer them a very high fixed price or premium over the market for corn and increased prices for vine seeds.

We are also having the same trouble with Water Melon in other sections and have advanced our price from 2c to 3c per pound without being able as yet to cover all our requirements and some varieties not at all. We would therefore, like to have you wire us if it will be satisfactory for us to advance the prices of Cucumber and Musk Melon and Water Melon you have contracted with us in accordance with the advance we have been obliged to make to the growers which, if we do not make, will result in our contracts being returned and the growers refusing to plant same. It hardly seems fair under the existing unsettled conditions all over the country for us to be made to stand the advance which can easily be absorbed by the Seed Trade raising their retail and jobbing prices next fall. Kindly let us hear from you and oblige.

All previous contract offers and surplus list prices are hereby cancelled.

Yours truly,

WESTERN SEED & IRRIGATION CO.

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